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From: Henry A. Lambeth
To: Mike Powell
Date: 2/18/03 11:20AM
Subject: True Number Portability

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Dear Mr. Powell

Please see that the cellphone industry no longer delays implementation of the "true number portability" law regarding our right to keep our cellphone number when changing carriers. It is time to allow free market forces to prevail in this industry. No longer should the cellphone lobby be allowed to delay implementation of lawful legislation granting us our rightful ownership of our cellphone numbers. Carry out the law! Need we mount a campaign against you and the other board members who are allowing the cellphone lobby to forestall implementation of lawful number portability? Just force us to do so. You will feel the heat of our indignation!

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From: Jeff Johnson
To: Mike Powell
Date: 2/13/03 12:22PM
Subject: Retaining my Cell Number

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Dear Chairman Powell:

It is not a consumer-friendly practice for cell phone providers to own our cell telephone numbers. In fact, it is a constraint of trade. There would be more competition among providers if the cell phone number was owned by the customer and could be retained when one switches carriers. I am waiting for the day that I can take my number with me, to switch to a carrier who has better coverage in the areas where I travel. I am currently restrained from doing so. But the power is in your hands to change this.

PLEASE - do not grant any more delays to the carriers. They are dragging their feet for their benefit, not the consumers or the citizens you represent.

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From: Miskowken@aol.com
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Subject: Extensions

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Dear Sir,

I am requesting that you do not grant another extension to the wireless, cell phone companies. I would definitely change my cell phone company if it wasn't for the hassle of getting a new phone number and advising all of my clients. I believe the phone number should stay with the user and not be for the whims of the cell phone company.

Thank you for your attention to my e-mail
Kenneth P. Miskow

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From: ArtBCohen@aol.com
To: Mike Powell
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Subject: Portability in Telcom Talk

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No more extensions. It is time to implement the portability of telephone numbers when customers change carriers as envisioned under the 1996 Telecommunications Act.

Arthur Cohen

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From: Ed
To: Mike Powell
Date: 2/10/03 1:58PM
Subject: Take my number

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Dear Mr. Powell,

I am one of many cell phone users that has become disgusted by the rampant and disgusting marketing practice used by cell phone providers. In particular, after agreeing to a contract, often one year, the cell providers offer much better packages to those who have yet to become a user. When I discussed this with several employees of differing ranks among AT&T wireless, my provider, they were very blunt in stating that the assignment of your cell number had everything to do with the disparity in offers. While I have been a loyal customer for over two years, that was unimportant to their strategy. Most people don't want to go through the hassle of changing their cell numbers and therefore reluctantly succumb to this odious practice. After all most of us have few precious moments in our day to take productive time spent notifying our contacts about the change in cell number.

I implore you not to allow for another extension of the November date to install equipment to allow customers to take their cell numbers with them when they switch carriers. This provision was to have taken effect in June 1999 as originally envisioned under the 1996 Telecommunications Act. As you are aware other countries have already initiated this requirement, e.g. Australia, Britain, etc.

Thank for your consideration in this matter,

Sincerely,

Edward J. Stewart, a concerned consumer.

CC: Jack Lyons, robert@the-casa.com

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From: Michael S. Scherotter
To: Mike Powell
Date: 2110103 10:28AM
Subject: Mobile telephone number portability

Dear Mr. Powell,

I encourage you, without delay to enact the rules for mobile telephone number portability. As we have seen in the land-line telephone market and all markets, when artificial barriers to competition are removed, vendors become more responsive and competitive. Not being able to change carriers and keep your telephone number is an artificial barrier to competition that should be removed

Thank you,
Michael S. Scherotter

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Chairman Michael K. Powell:

I strongly support the rule (not as yet implemented) that will allow cell phone customers to retain their cell number regardless of what carrier they use. I have had this right with my home numbers for some time, but not my cell carrier. I feel that cell carriers will provide better service, coverage and rates once they know that good customers are worth treating right. PLEASE, allow this rule to be come effective **SOON**. Many of **us** are taken for granted and frankly I'm fed up.

Thank You.

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From: Tavistock Books
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Subject: Feedback, Re: Cell Phone Nos.

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Dear Mr Powell,

as a small businessman, and cell phone user now trying my third company in the effort to find reliable service, I urge you to deny any request for an extension to the requirement implementing the ability of a cell phone user to switch cell phone service providers WITHOUT the need to obtain a new cell phone number.

Sincerely yours,

Vic Zoschak

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